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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 559
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Joshua Bolin on
becoming a Gold Medal of Achievement
recipient.

WHEREAS, at a time when the youth of our country face tremendous challenges, the Royal Rangers are one of this nation's greatest assets, providing young people ages five to seventeen with an educational program geared toward character development, citizenship training and improved spiritual, mental, and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the Royal Rangers, a program similar to the Boy Scouts of America, trains boys and young men in various areas, preparing them for circumstances they will encounter as adults; and

WHEREAS, the Royal Rangers Program is offered through the Assemblies of God Ministry for young men 5-17 years of age. As these young men refine their skills they earn merit awards, including the Gold Medal of Achievement, which is equivalent to the Eagle Scout Award in Scouting; and

WHEREAS, the highest rank a Royal Ranger can attain is that of the Gold Medal of Achievement and Joshua Bolin, after considerable hard work and preparation, is the 59th recipient of the prestigious award since its inception in the early 1960s; and

WHEREAS, Joshua Bolin, has proved himself competent in various areas by earning advanced merit awards in Camping, First Aid, CPR, Bible and many others, totaling 27 advanced merit awards;

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WHEREAS, the Royal Rangers continue to help young men develop in the areas of camping, nature study, Bible study, recreation, and missions, so that they may mature spiritually and in body and soul. In earning the Gold Medal of Achievement, Joshua Bolin, reflects the finest traditions of the Volunteer State; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we pause to specially recognize Joshua as one of the most outstanding young people in our state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby congratulate and honor Joshua Bolin on earning the Gold Medal of Achievement, and wish him much continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final resolving clause omitted from such copy.